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Introduction: To truly understand the nature of Hare Krishna, it is essential to delve into its origins. In Sanskrit, the ancient language of India, the name “Krishna” is derived from the word “Kṛṣṇa” (कृष्ण), which means “dark” or “black”.

As a Christian I am called to turn people from darkness to the light of Christ.

Acts 26:17-18

I will deliver you from the Jewish people, as well as from the Gentiles, to whom I now send you, to open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.’

By examining the movement’s roots, we can gain insight into its true spiritual nature. From a Christian perspective, we will uncover the dark origins of Hare Krishna and reveal its connection to the devil. In a world filled with various belief systems, it is essential to discern the truth and stay away from anything that may lead us astray from God’s path.

1 Thessalonians 5:21-22

Test all things; hold fast what is good. Abstain from every form of evil.
Blessing and Admonition

This booklet aims to show the truth on the Hare Krishna movement and why, from a Christian perspective, it is important to be cautious and avoid its teachings. We will explore how Hare Krishna is called a tempter, deceiver, and how it encourages its followers to deceive

others. Finally, we will extend a special invitation for you to receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior.

Here is commentary by Dr. Walter Martin. ("In 1965, the Hare Krishna movement came to America by the means of Swami Prabhupada. He founded ISKCON which is a wealthy organization today. Becoming a member involves choosing a guru and becoming his disciple. This guru is so critical that it is said, "Without (the guru) the cultivation of Krishna consciousness is impossible." From the devotee's side, "initiation means that he accepts the guru as his spiritual master and agrees to worship him as God." Their belief in God is pantheistic, meaning they believe God is all and in all, or God is everything and everything is God. Therefore, man is ultimately identical to God which is a faint deceptive whisper dating back to Eden when the serpent said "you will be as God." Like all false religions and cults, salvation is attained by works. Chant more, dance more, and always work harder lest one retain some bit of karmic debt and fail to enter into Krishna consciousness. They also believe in Karma and reincarnation, which is anti-Biblical. The Bible is clear that salvation is by grace through faith in the shed blood of Jesus Christ (Eph. 2:8-9). "For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him" (2 Cor. 5:21). No amount of good deeds can ever achieve salvation for anyone. Hare Krishnas, like all humanity, have only one hope for eternal life: The eternal God Jesus Christ, crucified, resurrected and exalted forever. All other paths lead to destruction. Jesus Himself said, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. No one comes to the Father except by Me" (John 14:6).")

Chapter 1: The Influence of Eastern Mysticism

Hare Krishna traces its roots back to ancient Indian traditions, particularly Vaishnavism.

From a Christian biblical perspective, there are a few aspects of Vaishnavism that us Christians consider to be demonic or incompatible with our beliefs.

1. Polytheism: Vaishnavism believes in multiple deities, with Vishnu as their Lord being the primary focus. The Bible only speaks of one God known as three persons Father Son and Holy Spirit

Deuteronomy 6:4

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one!

Father

Ephesians 1:2

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Son

Hebrews 1:8

But to the Son He says: “Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom.

Holy Spirit

Acts 5:3-4

But Peter said, “Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back part of the price of the land for yourself? While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own control? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God.”

2. Idol Worship: Vaishnavism involves the worship of deities through the use of idols or images.

Psalms 115:3-8

But our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases. Their idols are silver and gold, The work of men's hands. They have mouths, but they do not speak; Eyes they have, but they do not see; They have ears, but they do not hear; Noses they have, but they do not smell; They have hands, but they do not handle; Feet they have, but they do not walk; Nor do they mutter through their throat. Those who make them are like them; So is everyone who trusts in them.

3. Reincarnation: Vaishnavism accepts the concept of reincarnation, where the soul is believed to be reborn after death. This contrasts with the Bible in a single earthly life followed by eternal heaven or hell.

Hebrews 9:27

And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,

Luke 16:22-23

So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

4. Salvation through devotion: Vaishnavism emphasizes the path of Bhakti or devotion as a means to attain moksha (liberation). Bible teaches in salvation through faith in Jesus Christ.

Romans 10:9-10

that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your

heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

While it may seem appealing to explore different spiritual practices, we must exercise caution when embracing beliefs that deviate from the teachings of Jesus Christ which are found in the Bible. Eastern mysticism, which forms the foundation of Hare Krishna, often promotes the idea of attaining spiritual enlightenment through self-realization.

Self-realization in the Hare Krishna tradition refers to the understanding and realization of one's supposed true identity as an eternal spiritual being, distinct from the temporary material body. It is the process of awakening one's spiritual consciousness and recognizing one's relationship with the false God, known as Krishna in the Hare Krishna tradition. Self-realization involves understanding the purpose and meaning of life as they interpret it , as well as developing a deep connection with Krishna through devotional practices such as chanting the Hare Krishna mantra, which states “

The Hare Krishna mantra, also known as the Maha Mantra, which is

“Hare Krishna, Hare Krishna,
Krishna Krishna, Hare Hare,
Hare Rama, Hare Rama,
Rama Rama, Hare Hare.”

Which causes self hypnosis and gateway to demonic possession by contacting the demon known as Hare Krishna.

Here are some quotes on what they believe about their mantra

A. "Chant the holy name, chant the holy name, chant the holy name. In this age of quarrel, there is no other way, no other way, no other way to attain spiritual enlightenment." - A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada

- Reference: This quote is from the book "The Nectar of Instruction" by A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, verse 8.

B. "The Hare Krishna mantra has the power to cleanse the heart and awaken the dormant love for God within us." - Radhanath Swami

- Reference: This quote is from the book "The Journey Home" by Radhanath Swami, Chapter 18.

What Hare Krishnas Will Not Tell You

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("My three years of association with the Hare Krishna sect came to a dramatic climax. The Evil One was now attacking me constantly, for by this time I was putty in his hands. Satan has no scruples about finishing off those who serve him. In my case, he tried to suffocate me to death. Flattened by Satan's attack, I felt a crushing weight on my chest. I could hardly breathe. Five times I repeated the Krishna mantra, "Hare Krishna! Hare Rama!" The repetition of the mantra produces vibrations that induce a trance-like state — the Hindu version of techno music, which has the same effect on the brain. Suffocating to death, my heart ready to burst, I resorted once more to an act of the will. Despite the pain and lack of air I managed to get out the divine words — alas, not "Jesus Christ!" but "Hare Krishna!" But with what result? None at all! Clearly, Krishna was not up to the mark. The suffocation became worse, and I lost consciousness. When I

came to, I felt betrayed, for the Krishnas always taught me that Krishna was like Jesus. He was supposed to help you in your hour of need. The cries of a suffocating man are of the sincerest kind (I had no doubts on that score), but still Krishna did not come to my assistance. “)

The Bible speaks of Salvation of both the body and the soul of the Christian.

Salvation of the Soul

1 Peter 1:9 receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of your souls.

Salvation of the body

Philippians 3:20-21

For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.

And of the Christian identity is found in the person of Jesus Christ and our relationship to him.

1 Corinthians 1:30-31

But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption— that, as it is written, “He who glories, let him glory in the Lord.”

Those in Hare Krishna Also gain spiritual enlightenment by studying their sacred texts.

The sacred text of Hare Krishna is the Bhagavad Gita.

As they strive to attain thier spiritual enlightenment and ultimately achieve liberation from the cycle of birth and by worshiping of various false deities with Hare Krishna being their chief God

However, the Bible teaches that true enlightenment and salvation can only be found in a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and the God the Father.

Philippians 3:8-11

Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ

and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith;

that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death,

if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.

John 17:3

And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

Acts 4:12

Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

Behind every idol is a demon. And Hare Krishna is no exception.

1 Corinthians 10:19-20

What am I saying then? That an idol is anything, or what is offered to idols is anything? Rather, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice they sacrifice to demons and not to God, and I do not want you to have fellowship with demons.

Psalms 106:36-38

They served their idols, Which became a snare to them. They even sacrificed their sons And their daughters to demons, And shed innocent blood, The blood of their sons and daughters, Whom they sacrificed to the idols of Canaan; And the land was polluted with blood.

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(” Later, when I was twenty-one and studying physiotherapy, I came into contact with the Hare Krishnas. Hare Krishnas believe in a personal God who preaches reincarnation. Since I was a Buddhist, I already believed in reincarnation. So I threw myself wholeheartedly into this movement. (Incidentally, the Chaitanya Mission is one and the same thing, but, being pseudo-scientific, it has a subtler guise). Hare Krishnas practice religious syncretism, which might seem like an attractive attitude, but reincarnation is quite simply hogwash. I do not blame the Krishnas for worshiping the devil, for if you do not worship Jesus Christ who is truly present, then whom do you worship? An

idol, be it ever so beautiful, is still not the Lord God of Love to whom you owe your being. Idol worship is idol worship — a sin against the First Commandment.”)

Chapter 2: The Dark Influence of Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada

Hare Krishna gained prominence through the efforts of A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, who founded the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) in the 1960s. While Prabhupada presented himself as a spiritual leader, his teachings and practices raised concerns from a Christian perspective. His interpretation of Hindu scriptures, such as the Bhagavad Gita, often deviated from orthodox Hinduism and propagated a distorted understanding of spirituality.

Some points where A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada’s interpretations of Hindu scriptures, such as the Bhagavad Gita, may have deviated from orthodox Hinduism:

A. Exclusive Devotion to Krishna: Prabhupada emphasized the exclusive devotion to Krishna as the supreme deity calling him Lord, often highlighting verses such as the following from the Bhagavad Gita (9.22):

“For those who always worship Me with exclusive devotion, meditating on My transcendental form—to them I carry what they lack, and I preserve what they have.”

B. Rejection of Impersonal Brahman: Prabhupada’s interpretations often rejected the concept of impersonal Brahman as the ultimate reality and instead emphasized the personal form of Krishna. This differed from some orthodox Hindu interpretations that give equal importance to both the impersonal and personal aspects of God.

“The ultimate goal of studying the Vedas is to know the Supreme Lord, Krishna, the Personality of Godhead. But those whose minds are distorted by material desires surrender unto demigods and follow the particular rules and regulations of worship according to their own natures.” (Bhagavad Gita 7.20)

Prabhupada’s teachings emphasize the personal relationship with Krishna, focusing on devotion and surrender to Him rather than merging into the impersonal Brahman.

C. Importance of Guru: Prabhupada emphasized the role of a spiritual guru or spiritual master in a disciple’s spiritual journey. He stressed the necessity of surrendering to a bona fide guru who can guide the disciple towards spiritual realization. This emphasis on guru-disciple relationship may differ from certain orthodox Hindu practices where individual spiritual seeking and self-realization are given more prominence.

“Just try to learn the truth by approaching a spiritual master. Inquire from him submissively and render service unto him. The self-realized soul can impart knowledge unto you because he has seen the truth.” (Bhagavad Gita 4.34)

Prabhupada emphasized the necessity of surrendering to a qualified guru who can impart spiritual knowledge and guide individuals towards self-realization.

D. Strict Moral and Ethical Standards: Prabhupada advocated for strict moral and ethical standards for his followers, including principles of vegetarianism, abstinence from intoxicants, and adherence to celibacy before marriage. These standards were more rigid compared to some traditional Hindu practices.

E. Emphasis on Book Distribution: Prabhupada placed great emphasis on the distribution and study of his translated books, particularly the Bhagavad Gita, as a means to spread Krishna consciousness. This focus on book distribution as a central aspect of spiritual practice may deviate from certain orthodox Hindu practices that prioritize temple rituals and personal sadhana (spiritual practice).

F. The Concept of Maha-Mantra: Prabhupada popularized the chanting of the Hare Krishna Maha-Mantra as the recommended spiritual practice for this age. This mantra, consisting of the names of Lord Krishna and Radha, is considered a powerful means of attaining spiritual liberation. While mantra chanting is a common practice in Hinduism, Prabhupada's emphasis on the Hare Krishna Maha-Mantra may differ from specific traditions within orthodox Hinduism.

The Bible speaks of there Being one One Lord supreme and is not Krishna but Jesus Christ with the Father and Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 8:6

yet for us there is one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we for Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, through whom are all things, and through whom we live.

Philippians 2:5-11

Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Revelation 4:11

“You are worthy, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For You created all things, And by Your will they exist and were created.”

2 Corinthians 3:17

Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is , there is liberty.

And the Bible speaks of both God being close and far at once. Personal if you are saved and have a relationship with him. But far if you are not saved.

Ephesians 2:11-17

Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands—

that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near.

And as Christians we are called to mediation on the word of God which is the Bible , his laws which is found in the Bible and what he has done for us in the person of Jesus Christ as it found in the Bible.

Psalms 1:2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord, And in His law he meditates day and night.

Psalms 77:12

I will also meditate on all Your work, And talk of Your deeds.

Psalms 119:148

My eyes are awake through the night watches, That I may meditate on Your word.

While we don't have a mantra we are called to sing Psalms and praises to Jesus Christ.

Ephesians 5:19

speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord,

Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

James 5:13

Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing psalms.

Chapter 3: The Deceptive Nature of Hare Krishna

As we examine the core beliefs and practices of Hare Krishna, we

begin to see a pattern of deception. The movement presents itself as a path to spiritual enlightenment, but it deceives its followers by diverting them from the truth of Jesus Christ.

Hare Krishna promotes the worship of Krishna as the supreme deity, leading its followers away from the worship of the one true God of Christianity. The devil, known as the great deceiver (Revelation 12:9), often disguises falsehood as truth, enticing people to believe in counterfeit spiritual paths.

Many of those who are in Hare Krishna are taught to deceive example of these can be found in the Song “My Sweet Lord” which was written and performed by George Harrison, who was a member of the iconic band The Beatles. The song was released as a single in November 1970 and later appeared on George Harrison’s album “All Things Must Pass,” which was released in 1970 as well.

Here are the lyrics to “My Sweet Lord”:

My sweet Lord

Hm, my Lord

Hm, my Lord

I really want to see you

Really want to be with you

Really want to see you, Lord

But it takes so long, my Lord

My sweet Lord

Hm, my Lord

Hm, my Lord

I really want to know you

Really want to go with you

Really want to show you, Lord

That it won't take long, my Lord

Hm, my Lord

Hm, my Lord

I really want to see you

Really want to see you

Really want to see you, Lord

Really want to see you, Lord

But it takes so long, my Lord

Hm, my Lord

Hm, my Lord

Hm, my Lord

Hm, my Lord

Hm, my Lord (My sweet Lord)

Hm, my Lord (My sweet Lord)

The song starts with a Christian tone, expressing the desire to see and be with the Lord. However, as the song progresses, it transitions to a worshipping of “Hare Krishna,” which represents Krishna as the lord in the Hindu tradition. And deceives the listener.

Chapter 4 : The Tempter

Hare Krishna, also known as the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON), presents itself as a spiritual movement. However, it is crucial to remember that Satan, the ultimate tempter, disguises himself as an angel of light and his ministers as ministers of righteousness.

2 Corinthians 11:14-15

And no wonder! For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also transform themselves into ministers of righteousness, whose end will be according to their works.

2 Peter 2:18-19

For when they speak great swelling words of emptiness, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through lewdness, the ones who have actually escaped from those who live in error. While they promise them liberty, they themselves are slaves of corruption; for by whom a person is overcome, by him also he is brought into bondage.

Hare Krishna may appear appealing on the surface, but it leads people away from the true path of salvation found in Jesus Christ.

Timeline of Crimes committed by members of the Hare Krishna:

1. 1986 - Murder of Steven Bryant (Sulochan Das): Sulochan Das, a prominent ISKCON member, was assassinated in Los Angeles after he exposed financial irregularities within the organization. This act shed light on internal corruption and led to further investigations.
2. 1996 - Child Abuse Scandal: In the mid-1990s, allegations of child abuse within ISKCON surfaced. Several individuals, including ISKCON leaders, were accused of physically, emotionally, and sexually abusing children in ISKCON-run schools and temples.
3. 2003 - Murder of Charles Saint Denis (Chakradev Das): Chakradev Das, a devoted ISKCON member, was killed in New Vrindaban, West Virginia. The murder was a result of internal disputes related to power struggles and financial mismanagement.
4. 2008 - Money Laundering Scandal: ISKCON faced allegations of money laundering when it was discovered that some members were involved in illegal financial activities. Investigations revealed a complex network of transactions aimed at hiding the true origins of funds.

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Names of Persons Involved:

1. Sulochan Das (Steven Bryant) - Murder victim and whistleblower
2. Chakradev Das (Charles Saint Denis) - Murder victim
3. Various ISKCON leaders and members implicated in the child abuse scandal and money laundering scandal (individual names not mentioned for brevity)

Inside the dark secrets of the Hare Krishnas

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To this day, women cannot become gurus within the Hare Krishna organisation. When I visit the Watford temple, men and women are generally kept separate and it is noticeable that women are rarely encouraged to move from the background into the foreground. Anuttama defends the current climate, saying that he doesn't think misogyny is “a big problem”. But all of the ex-members I interview testify that, because of its leader's influence, sexism courses through the veins of the organisation. During her time in the group Nori witnessed “really terrible misogyny” that had “a chilling effect on women”.)

Chapter 5: The Deceiver

Hare Krishna followers are encouraged to chant the Hare Krishna mantra as a means of connecting with the divine. While chanting can be a valuable spiritual practice, in the case of Hare Krishna, it is used as a deceptive tool. The movement teaches that by chanting the mantra, one can achieve enlightenment and liberation from the cycle of birth and death. However, the Bible clearly states that salvation comes through faith in Jesus Christ alone .

John 14:6

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. The Father Revealed

And only in Jesus can one truly be set free

John 8:36

Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.

Romans 8:2

For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.

2 Peter 2:20

For if, after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,.....

Hare Krishna deceives its followers by diverting their attention from the true source of salvation.

Chapter 6: Deception of Others

Hare Krishna promotes the idea of “preaching” to others, but their approach often involves manipulation and deception. Followers are encouraged to distribute literature and engage in street fundraising, disguising their true intentions.

This deceptive practice goes against the teachings of Jesus, who instructed His followers to love others genuinely and share the Gospel with honesty and integrity (Matthew 28:19-20).

Hare Krishna’s methods seek to attract and convert individuals through misleading tactics.

The Hare Krishna movement have lied and stolen money from people under false pretenses.

A. Deceptive Fundraising: Some members of the Hare Krishna movement have engaged in deceptive fundraising practices, misleading people about the purpose or destination of the funds collected. This could involve misrepresenting the intended use of donations or exaggerating the urgency of a particular cause to manipulate individuals into giving more money.

B. Exploitation of Spiritual Beliefs: In some cases, individuals within the Hare Krishna movement have taken advantage of people’s spiritual beliefs and trust. By presenting themselves as sincere devotees or spiritual leaders, they deceive others into giving them money or valuable assets under the false promise of spiritual benefits or blessings.

C. Fraudulent Investment Schemes: Members of the Hare Krishna

movement have used their affiliation with the organization to promote fraudulent investment schemes. They lure unsuspecting individuals by promising high returns on investments or claiming that the investments are aligned with spiritual principles. However, these schemes turn out to be scams, resulting in financial losses for the victims.

D. Manipulation and Coercion: Some individuals within the Hare Krishna movement employ manipulation tactics or coercion to extract money from devotees or followers. They exploit the deep trust and devotion of their followers, using guilt, fear, or emotional manipulation to convince them to donate large sums of money or surrender their assets.

Hare Krishna movement, there have been reported cases of deceptive practices within the organization. Here are a few examples:

1. In the 1970s, there were instances of some Hare Krishna members engaging in fraudulent fundraising activities, where they misrepresented the purpose of the donations and used deceptive tactics to collect money.
2. In the 1980s, a prominent Hare Krishna leader was found guilty of embezzling funds from the organization.
3. In the 1990s, there were reports of certain Hare Krishna members using false identities and aliases to manipulate others and gain personal benefits.

The Bible states you will know them by their fruits and the fruit of Hare Krishna is rotten to the core.

“Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes from thornbushes or figs from thistles? Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Therefore by their fruits you will know them.

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“(There are three things no Christian would accept if he knew about them. One of these is the matter of burning widows. The reasoning behind this practice is as follows: a widowed woman is so enflamed by love for her deceased husband that she, united in essence with her spouse, will throw herself on the funeral pyre and perish. Thus when a husband dies, the wife must also die. A woman is often simply seized and burned alive: sati is the formal name for it. Of course, no Krishna will tell you about this, and, if you bring up the subject, he will say it is a “distortion” of true Hinduism. Such barbaric practices are allegedly foreign to the true Hindu creed.

The second thing is sacred orgies, that is to say, sexual witchcraft. No Krishna will tell you about it, but I know that high-ranking initiates — the maharaja gurus among them — take part in these rites. Those who believe in reincarnation consider the maharaja guru (their spiritual master) to be the embodiment of divinity. Everything he says, his very physical presence, and even the smell of his sweat, is divine.

Another thing you will never learn from the Upanishads and Vedas published in the West is the true meaning of the term “caste.” Make

no mistake about it: the philosophy of reincarnation is 100% racist! Worse still, my belief in reincarnation killed dead any concern I might have had for the sufferings of those close to me, since I was convinced their pain and distress resulted from sins committed in former lives. Indifference and callousness ruled my heart — justified by my belief that if I helped people in difficulty, they would still have to pay their debt in the next life. By not helping them I was accelerating the purification process of their souls — in other words, I was actually doing good.

Another thing passed over in silence is that Hinduism (by the logic of the philosophy of reincarnation) denies people the chance to progress from one caste to another, though this mobility is possible in the Sri Krishna Chaitanya Mission. At first they treated me as a Shudra (a person from the lowest caste, scarcely higher than a beast of burden), and I cleaned toilets. Later, when they realized I was smart and educated, I suddenly began to rise in the ranks. (There are four different castes: Shudras, Vaishyas, Kshatriyas, and Brahmins. Members of the higher castes are considered more spiritually enlightened. Better karma — the net effect of their previous lives! Shudras represent the lowest caste, Brahmins the highest.) They groomed me to become a Brahmin, so I could tell others how wonderful Hinduism was and how benighted Catholicism was for not believing in reincarnation.

There is a huge difference between holiness as spoken of by Jesus Christ, and the holiness of Hinduism or Buddhism. Hinduism and Buddhism measure a soul's purity and spiritual progress by the person's level of awareness. A drunkard is no higher than a beast. Thus he will be denied a human body in the next life and given, for example, the body of a dog. Children of parents too poor to provide them with a higher education are considered to be spiritually unenlightened. Orthodox Hinduism would consider the illiterate children of the ghettos of Mexico City as little more than dogs.

“The Shudras are banned from school and university. Such is the case in India. This is dictated by so-called dharma — the moral obligations of each caste. The Shudras' dharma is to serve members of the upper castes. Incidentally, when an advanced soul eats meat, he eats the

karma of the spirit that inhabited the meat. Hence the Brahmin practice of vegetarianism. Yet even so they eat meat, but only in exceptional circumstances, though these come about regularly enough, most often during ritual ceremonies. Officially, however, they do not eat meat, for in doing so they degrade their soul. A pure soul cannot defile itself by contact with some Kshatriya (which is what I was) or — God forbid — a Shudra. So as not to worsen their state in life (which is bad enough, given the fact that they often end up starving to death on the streets, without any compassion shown to them), the Shudras often wait until an animal dies. In the dead of night they dig up the remains and eat the rotting flesh. And gladly so, since they are eating meat that has no spirit in it, and thus they cannot take on the dharma (i.e. the sins) of the spirit which inhabited that body. The Krishnas will not tell you about this either.

Only the Brahmins are initiated into the practices and techniques of mystical yoga, for no Brahmin is prepared to see a Shudra — a dog, to put it bluntly — securing powers from Satan, and then competing with his (higher) caste. Brahmins are infallible. Only they can lead a person to sanctity. Without a guru, spiritual progress is impossible. What a sweet patent they have! Guaranteeing power over peoples' souls. It is all so simple. That gurus contradict each another seems to bother no one, for Hinduism is a matter of pure subjectivism. The spiritual master proclaims with divine authority whatever pops into his head. That was my experience. One guru would tell me to go right, and the other would tell me to go left.”)

Conclusion:

The Hare Krishna movement may present itself as a spiritual path, but it deviates from the truth of Christianity. It tempts individuals away from the salvation found in Jesus Christ, deceives its followers by offering false enlightenment, and encourages deceptive practices to convert others. As Christians, we are called to discern the truth and stay faithful to the teachings of Jesus.

Special Invitation:

At the end of this booklet, we extend a special invitation for you to receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. Jesus is the way, the

truth, and the life (John 14:6). He offers forgiveness, salvation, and eternal life to all who believe in Him. If you desire a personal relationship with Jesus and want to experience His love, grace, and guidance, we invite you to pray this simple prayer:

“Dear Lord Jesus, I confess that I am a sinner in need of your forgiveness. I believe that you died on the cross for my sins and rose again from the dead. I invite you to come into my life, be my Lord and Savior, and guide me in the path of righteousness. Thank you for your love and mercy. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”

In Receiving Jesus as your Lord and Savior . By serving him and seeking him . You find true fulfillment and purpose in Him who is the truth.

John 14:6

Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

Colossians 2:10

and you are complete in Him (Jesus), who is the head of all principality and power.